

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application and are subject to restriction requirement. The examiner has identified the following two inventions among claims 1-20:

Group I, claims 1-4 and 16-20, drawn to a nonvolatile semiconductor memory cell, classified in US class 257, subclass 260+; and

Group II, claims 5-15, drawn to a method for fabricating a nonvolatile semiconductor memory cell, classified in US class 438, subclass 22+.

Applicants elect group II, claims 5-15, without traverse. The claims of the non-elected group, claims 1-5 and 16-20, are withdrawn.

With this response, the application is believed to be in condition for early action on the merits. Should the examiner deem a telephone conference to be of assistance in advancing the application to allowance, the examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,



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